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For: BADGE-FREE CAN COATING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Applicants submit the following amendment in the above-referenced application, which is a national application under Section 371 based on International (PCT) Application Serial No. EP00/01065, as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice, and amend claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (As Amended) A coating composition for metal capable of being formed into a container, said coating composition comprising:

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- a) a polyester resin in the amount of 20-50% by wt., said polyester resin comprising trimethylolpropane in the amount of 0.1-10% by wt., neopentylglycol in the amount of 15-30% by wt., at least one other polyol in the amount of 5-20% by wt., a phthalic acid in the amount of 20-60% by wt., and adipic acid in the amount of 10-35% by wt.;
 - b) a resol resin in the amount of 1-15% by wt. and comprising a condensation product made from a phenol or homologue thereof and formaldehyde; and
 - c) a solvent component in the amount of 35-79% by wt., all foregoing weight percentages being based on the total weight of the coating composition; and

the coating composition being substantially free of bisphenol-A-diglycidyl ether, bisphenol-F-diglycidyl ether, homologues thereof, and polyvinyl chloride.